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THE HONORABLE DIANE FEINSTEIN U.S. SENATE WASHINGTON DC 20510

Re: NRRM - PR DOCKET 92-235

Dear Senator DIANE FEINSTEIN:

The Honorable Diane Feinstein United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

> Mark Meyers 1027 Central Pl. Madera, Ca. 93637 (209) 673-2024

January 24, 1993

Dear Mrs. Feinstein,

I am writing you in opposition to part of NPRM-PR DOCKET 92-235. The new rules would allow the Mobile Land Service to insert two new frequencies at 72.0325 MHz and 72.0375 MHz which is between the model channel 12-72.0300 MHz and the commercial channel at 72.0400 MHz. This is just one example of the inserts requested in this new rule, there are others, in both the 72 MHz area and the 75 MHz frequencies.

It is very important to understand that the radio control models we are talking about are NOT toys. These models may have a wing span of ten feet or more, travel at speeds of 150 miles an hour and may weigh up to 50 pounds. I have personally seen these models go out of control and fly through both sides of a station wagon before coming to a stop. These models are aircraft and can become very deadly if out of control. The frequency separation of only 2.5 KHz is not adequate for safe control of these models.

We have gone through an update of our equipment just two years ago which was to improve the safety and availability of channels. This required update cost most users about \$60 dollars for each radio system sent to the manufacturer. Some systems could not be updated and were required to be replaced at an average cost of \$200 dollars each. We were all assured at that time we would not have any problems with the new equipment for years to come.

Now, two years later, we're told we will have to have our

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 $\mbox{\tt made}$ to protect the 72 MHz and 75 MHz model radio control frequencies.

Thank You. Mark Meyers

Sincerely,

Mark Meyers

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To: The Honorable DIANE FEINSTEIN > TLX:***Gram***

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 January 21,1993 50 FED -0 FE 3:31

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing to request your assistance in the rejection of the subject proposal presently before the F.C.C. for adoption.

During the last five years we in the Radio Control Model hobby were required to replace all our equipment because the F.C.C. decreased our frequency spacing from 20 Khz to 10 Khz. The equipment replacement was very expensive and now they would all be obsoleted by this docket changing the spacing to 2.5 Khz.

Most of us have been interested in Radio Controlled Models for over thirty years and we spend much of our leisure time trying to help the younger generation to learn what a great hobby-sport this is. Certainly this wonderful pastime offers young people a great alternative to drugs, for this reason alone it is worthwhile.

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The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has issued a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235) which, if implemented, will have a profound effect on model frequency use. Developed by the FCC Land Mobile Service, it creates a massive frequency restructuring—the first of its type in 60 years.

The 419 page document addresses frequency use in another service (Part 88) but will also affect Part 95 where our RC frequency use lives. Without becoming too technical, the restructuring inserts two new frequencies between those presently assigned for modeling use and commercial users. That means we could have a transmitter almost four times the power output of ours, only 2.5 kHz away from a large number of our 72 and 75 MHz frequencies.

In the 72 MHz band, thirty-one of our frequencies would be bracketed, principally in the lower end of the band (below channel 42). A similar condition would exist in the 75 MHz band. Two examples of the frequency placing would look like the following:

Model Channel 14	72.070 MHz	
New insert	72.0725 MHz	
New insert	72.0775 MHz	
Present Commercial	72.080 MHz	
New insert	72.0825 MHz	
New insert	72.0875 MHz	
Model Channel 15	72.090 MHz	
OR		
Model Channel 62	75.430 MHz	
New insert	75.4325 MHz	
New insert	75.4375 MHz	
Present Commercial	75.440 MHz	
New insert	75.4425 MHz	
New insert	75.4475 MHz	
Model Channel 63	75.450 MHz	

Not only are these new frequencies very close to ours, they are also designated as "mobile", therefore we would never know where they are operating, including right in the pit area at your field or on the street and highway nearby. In addition, the technical specifications for the new equipment allows a legal frequency tolerance which could place their signal directly on ours!

I am strongly opposed to PR DOCKET 92-235 (See sidebar) for the following reasons:

- (1) Interferance into the radio frequencies used by radio control hobbiests by a by powerful nearby transmitter using an adjacent frequency is a real and dangerous possibility. With R.C. airplanes weighing up to 50 lbs and flying at over 150 MPH the danger to modelers and the public is not to be minimized.
- (2) The modeling industry and hobbiests have just spent millions in narrowing the radio frequency bands in both transmitters and receivers for safety reasons. PR DOCKET 92-235 has the potential for making this a waste of time, energy and money.
- (3) As a youth I enjoyed model airplanes. In WWII I was a pilot, but in my adult years raising a family I had no time to pursue a hobby. Now in my retirement, besides donating many hours to church and community affairs, I am finally enjoying R.C. flying and the comradeship of others who enjoy the same.

PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THAT AWAY FROM US. OPPOSE PR DOCKET 92-235. THANK YOU.

Respectfully,

Joseph W. Ouellet

14752 Little Greenhorn Rd. Grass Valley, CA 95945

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PEAR SENATOR FEINSTEIN

I AM VERY CONCERNED OVER NEW
RULES UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE FCC
(PR DOCKET: 92-235)

I AM RETIRED, BELONG TO BOTH
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PLEASE HELP ME TO CONTINUE THE SAFE ENJOYMENT OF FLYING THESE MODELS BY NOT ALLOWING THE FCC TO CHANGE THE 72-16 MHZ BAND.

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It is for the reasons I have stated that the proposals in FCC. NPRM PR Docket 92-235 to add frequencies between model and commercial frequencies not be adopted.

Sincerely

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Sincerely, Silly Jampson AD. Box 969, Glendons, CA 9/194.

PS. I am reising a 10 yr. old Grandson and he is involved in this sport.

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The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies use by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of 50 channels on the 72 Mhz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 Mhz band (for R/C cars and boats) now used by hobbyist. In fact more channels will likely be affected.

When we operate our models, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordinations and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number usable frequencies are diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio controlled modelers. It is a sizable industry that must be saved from these detrimental FCC actions. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to hundreds of thousands of people like myself.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72-76 Mhz band. We need your help now on this matter as the FCC has a February 26, 1993 deadline after which it may be very difficult to avoid having these proposals going into affect.

Sincerely,

CHROUST LAWFORD ASSOCIATES 3112 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE SANTA MONICA, CA 90404 Dear Senator

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field, specially kids

If PR Docket 72-235 is passed I will

be greatly disappointed.

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Thank you.

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Feinstein,

It has come to my attention that the FCC is considering a change in the frequency allocation for private usage. The Proposed Rule Making is NPRM PR Docket 92-2135.

I am writing to you requesting your support in the defeat of this proposal. I am an RC Modeler that flies radio control airplanes. The reason I am requesting your support is that the proposed change will insert new frequencies very close to the current frequencies that the RC Model industry presently uses. The new frequencies will also have higher power than the RC Model frequencies and the frequency will be mobile, thus the chances that the new frequencies will interfere with the RC Model frequencies are high.

You may ask why the concern? First of all, if we are flying a radio controlled powered airplane and someone with the new frequency channel radio is near by, the model will be uncontrollable due to radio interference. This most likely will cause the plane to crash. The RC models we fly are not toys. Most planes having a powered engines are capable of flying at speeds of 50 to 150 mph. An object that is not under control at those speeds hitting a person would have a good chance of killing that person or causing serious injury. Secondly, the cost of most of our planes are from \$500.00 to \$3000.00. Lastly, there are over three million RC pilots in the United States that would be affected by this new rule change.

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February 2, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Reference: PR Docket 92-235

Bear Senator Feinstein:

I am soon to be retired and derive many hours of pleasure from building and operating radio controlled models.

I own \$2,000 worth of radio equipment that would be unusable if this frequency assignment is adopted.

The models I build weigh as much as 10 pounds and operate at 60 m.p.h.

Since the proposed new frequencies are so close, interference will occur and render most model frequencies unusable.

I appreciate your consideration to vote <u>against</u> this proposal -- $\underline{N0}$ on <u>PR Docket 92-235</u>.

Sincerely,

George L. Webster

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Dear Senator Finestein; 9 AN G.L.

I am retired and enjoy many hours of building and operating radio controlled model sirplanes. I have been interested in aviation all my life and I am a member of two local radio controll flying clubs whose members all enjoy the hoby.

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my clubs operate at a public high school in town and on Private property in the country with public roads close by. A mobile phone could pass by our fly fields at any time and our planes would be uncontrolable if this new rule becomes effective.

We often fly our models at organized events and contests where there are a very large number of operators participating. We need the use of all our frequencies to assure a safe flying environment.

The FCC may not think we are as important as bussiness users of mobile radios, but we have considerable investment in our models and radio equipment.

The hobby provises many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself.

Please help us continue the safe enjoyment of our pass time by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHZ band.

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Dear Senator Feinstein:

I have been interested in modelling for the past twenty years and now am enjoying radio control model airplanes. In the past five years, I have acquired four radio and transmitter sets for my airplanes and have invested a lot of time and money into my hobby.

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Careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies is my always my primary concern when I fly. I always perform preflight checks since the slightest radio interference would cause me to lose control of the model and crash. Besides damaging the model itself, it could also crash into somebody's car or property or, even worse, into other people. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by <u>not</u> allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72 - 76 MHz band.

Sincerely, Scacluto



Senotor heinstein, Please vote against NPRM-PR Daket 92-235 Radio Contral modelers such as myself will have wested thousands of As in Radio equipment if this passes Our club of 250 Members (one club of thousands in america) will be watching your activity in this area. Our frequencies in the Radio spectrum well suffer along with usues regarding Safety and Liability. Hoping to hear of your support.

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

January 21,1993

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing to request your assistance in the rejection of the subject proposal presently before the F.C.C. for adoption.

During the last five years we in the Radio Control Model hobby were required to replace all our equipment because the F.C.C. decreased our frequency spacing from 20 Khz to 10 Khz. The equipment replacement was very expensive and now they would all be obsoleted by this docket

